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TO OUR READERS.

Finding that the publication of the large Delinquent Tax List of Hardeman county by a Supplement was insufficient, we were compelled to table much important matter from correspondents and contributors, and insert a portion of the List in the paper. This heavy week's work necessarily delayed one day the issue of the BULLETIN. In two weeks we will be relieved of this pressure and then we will be free to give our readers a still more inviting and readable journal. The BULLETIN, under its new management, aspires to become a leading and popular organ in West Tennessee. To this end we solicit the active aid of the citizens of Hardeman and adjoining counties.

County Convention.

A Convention of the Democratic voters of Hardeman county will assemble in Bolivar on Saturday, the 5th day of August next, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the Legislature, and for selecting delegates to attend the Florioatorial, Congressional and State Conventions. A county executive committee will also be appointed to serve for the next two years. J. M. Hubbard, Chairman Executive Committee.

What Say Our Friends—

—Of Haywood and Madison to holding the Florioatorial and Senatorial convention in Bolivar? These conventions were held in Jackson two years ago, and as "time about is fair play" we suggest that the executive committees of the counties respectfully interested take the proper steps to have them assemble this year in Bolivar, either on the 5th of August, or on some suitable day thereafter, as the delegates from this county will be seated on the day named.

In this Convention we may mildly suggest to aspirants for either house of the next Legislature, that there is no better medium through which to make known their wishes to their friends than through the columns of the Bulletin.

BREVITIES.

FOLLY ON ICE.—Eleven hundred immigrants snow-bound at Duluth, May the 24th, en route to the bleak, inhospitable shores of the northern lakes, while all this genial and productive sunny land of ours invitingly offers the settler a home of plenty and beauty.

OFFICIAL COING.—Gen'l Pennybacker and Gov. Porter, His Excellency was right in not permitting Grant's Lieutenant, on leaving Nashville, to excel him in courtesying. Southern society is a most invigorating social tonic. It is the kind of appetizer the Yankee most needs.

THE STATE DEBT CAULDRON IS BOILING. A. S. Colyer is putting repudiation faggots in the fire hoping to make it boil over to the infinite harm of every interest in the State. The Memphis Appeal is boldly airing the late utterance of this latter-day political wise-acre. His gun will soon foul—the ammunition in use being too adulterated with demagoguism for long or effectual service.

I look at an able statesman out of business like a huge whale, that will endeavor to overturn the ship unless he gets an empty cask to play with.—*Steel.*

A good Steel engraver of that old red-republican bumper, Carl Schurz. Independence is the "cork" with which he and Cullen Bryant are amusing themselves. The ex-Senator is a well-advertised political tramp.

"Honest Government, Honest Money and Honest men for office." A much needed trinity. The mission of the Democracy is to honor this draft.

The Contraction Theory is causing an enforced suspension of labor throughout the country.

Who borrows money on call? The merchant? No. The manufacturer? No. The tradesman? No. The builder or mechanic? No. The farmer? No. Who then? The stock brokers and stock gamblers whose gold interest bearing collaterals always command their market value in currency. Money too plentiful! Yes, plentiful only when a high-rated mortgage knoock for help at the banker's iron door—then, of course, the bolt shoots back, temporary relief is granted, but the judgement day of redemption comes and the deluded man stands gutted.

Last week, Messrs. Jarrett and Palmer, selecting the Pennsylvania railroad and connections, swept across the continent inside of four days. Centennial triumph, indeed! Glad to know that the blooming Atlantic, as a wooing maiden, can so expeditiously communicate by rail with the old rough and resolute bachelor Pacific.

It takes a Democratic knot to brain Blaine, the main(e) Republican villifier of the South.

Fulaski Citizen: We were shown some splendid wheat from the farm of Judge Allison near this city. He has thirty acres of the same kind. The wheat crops in this county from present appearances will be an excellent one.

SAM WARDISM.

New England enterprise receives its Centennial finishing touch this year. The Yankeeism it represents is, peculiarly, an American out-growth. Its ingenuity is so daring and ubiquitous that it has learned to subsidize everything within its reach. At an early day in our history, booting and spurning, it mounted religion and rode rough-shod over time-honored institutions into the clutches of a fanatical puritanism. Its grasping, mobilizing spirit soon seized upon politics and found in this field one of the best and most profitable hobbies for promoting sectional aggrandizement. It operated so successfully on this line that it has assumed, of late, the guise of pure patriotism, and under the leadership of Sam Ward, its blue-ribboned apostle, it has projected at Philadelphia a monumental national cheat enterprise, known in current parlance as the Centennial Exhibition.

Yankeeism must have sensation and this its latest expression is the sweetest and juiciest morsel that ever tickled the palate of the most daring Yankee. It is a scheme to flood Philadelphia with money to the detriment of the country at large and the national exchequer in particular. Moreover, the vast gains thus accumulated will eventually find a lodgment in the pockets of a few managers. What do these men care for the patriot who they so ostentatiously seek to centralize? It is merely a popular screen to hide their cloven feet. They know not what it is to feel an honest throb of heart-felt patriotism. Such a feeling turned loose in their natures would frighten into a sickly pallor their money-loving spirit. It would be an accusing phantom visitor.

Every person in Philadelphia, from the noisy boot-black to the railroad magnate, is lashed with the expectancy that the exhibition will realize to the inhabitants the riches of a Nevada mine.

Sam Ward and his abettors entered Congress for an appropriation and so greenbacked the purses and wine and oystered the stomachs of many representatives that a princely amount was given to aid the great Show. When all the attending empty brilliance subsides and the sky is clear of the pyrotechnic display, this undertaking will appear in the clear-cut outlines of its fraudulent conception. The local managers hold the purse strings and their individual bank accounts will exhibit a high-water greenback over-flow. We concede that the country needs a revivifying of true patriotism to the extent that sectionalism shall hide its hydra head. But no such sham as this Exhibition can start afresh the currents of a genuine fraternity. Its voice is too feeble to speak "peace, be still," to the troubled waters. Protestations to the contrary, we believe that the life-force in modern Yankeeism is an absorbing sectional selfishness. This principle runs riot throughout the East.

We are glad to know that most of the Southern States declined Sam Ward's invitation to take seats at this Centennial festive board. They have been so riddled of their rights as co-equals in the federation of States that they have no sympathy for a mockery of patriotism. They ask not for the mimicry but the reality of a true political brotherhood. If it be, as it is, that, at the end of the first century of our national existence, the rights of the South are found pleading for just a recognition, we trust that, at the close of the second, our section will be seen standing triumphantly vindicated at the bar of public opinion and surrounded by substantial evidences of a sincere and enduring inter-State fraternity. Then, indeed, but not now, should we be found hurrahing over the achievements "of the best government the world ever saw."

The South declines Sam Ward's invitation "to fiddle" while constitutional liberty lies bruised and scarred. With her, at this time, a calm, self-asserting dignity, and not "dancing," is the teaching of a consistent self-respect.

Gentlemen Radicals you have had your day. You have opened the goose that laid the golden eggs, and hung the carcass up high. You have made playthings of millions of dollars and millions of men. You have defied the Constitution and made laws in your own interest and against that of the people, whom you have deliberately and shamefully robbed. You have augmented taxation till it has well-nigh rendered property valueless. You have killed the land with knives and public checks. You have perjured yourselves by being false to your solemn oaths to look after the people's welfare. You have thought of nothing but your own personal advancement, to the injury of millions of your fellow-citizens.—*Pittsburg Post.*

Well put blows. But you can't strike those fellows too hard. They are hide-bound in lawlessness and have the corruption-rot.

Ex-Gov. Walker, of Virginia, lately delivered in Congress, an able and exhaustive effort in behalf of public instructions. As Chairman of the Committee on Education, he took position that our eminent domain should be held intact to meet the educational demands of the country. The Norfolk Virginian says: "His speech was well worth hearing and contained many startling statistics, such as that by the last census, one-fifth of the people above ten years of age could not read; and out of 8,000,000 voters 1,600,000 of them could not read their ballots, showing a deplorable state of ignorance."

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